

ABSOLUTE RATING: Good
IMPROVEMENT RATING: Average

Number of high schools with students similar to ours: 23. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from good to excellent. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
2001	Good	Average
2002		
2003		
2004		

TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	Our School			Schools With Students Like Ours		
	1999	2000	2001	1999	2000	2001
• Passed all 3 subtests	73.9	76.5	75.7	73.0	75.8	75.9
• Passed 2 subtests	16.1	11.9	13.9	15.5	14.3	14.2
• Passed 1 subtest	7.6	6.1	7.1	7.3	7.0	6.8
• Passed no subtests	2.4	5.5	3.3	4.2	2.9	3.1

ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS	Our School	Schools With Students Like Ours
% of seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships	22.2%	28.7%
% of seniors who met the SAT requirement	23.8%	30.5%
% of seniors who met the grade point average	45.6%	56.2%

Beginning in 2003, the graduation rate for each high school will be included in the school rating.

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Seniors			
Student Group	Exit Exam Passage Rate by Spring 2001	Eligibility for LIFE Scholarships	Graduation Rate
All students	95.8%	22.2%	N/A until 2003
Students with disabilities other than speech	80.0%	0.0%	
Students without disabilities	96.0%	22.4%	
Gender			
Male	95.1%	21.6%	
Female	95.9%	23.3%	
Ethnic Group			
African American	92.5%	11.8%	
Hispanic	88.9%	0.0%	
White	97.3%	27.0%	
Other	75.0%	N/A	
Lunch Status			
Free/reduced-price lunch	90.2%	7.4%	
Pay for lunch	96.5%	26.3%	

STUDENTS IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY COURSES

Mastering core competencies	63.7%
Completers placed	100.0%
Eligible students enrolled	47.1%

SCHOOL PROFILE

INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
SCHOOL				
• Dollars spent per student	\$4,608	N/A	\$4,835	\$5,668
• Prime instructional time	90.9%	Up from 90.2%	91.1%	90.1%
• Student-teacher ratio	28.3 to 1	N/A	26.6 to 1	25.1 to 1
STUDENTS (n=1,455)				
• Advanced Placement/ Int'l Baccalaureate Program Exam Success Ratio	68.8%	N/A	61.2%	40.0%
• Attendance rate	96.0%	Down from 96.8%	95.7%	95.3%
• Retention rate	7.1%	Down from 7.6%	7.4%	10.0%
TEACHERS (n=84)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	7.7 Days	Down from 8.1	7.3 Days	7.5 Days
• Attendance rate	96.2%	Up from 95.0%	95.8%	95.7%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	27.4%	Down from 31.2%	56.9%	49.4%
• Continuing contract teachers	79.8%	Up from 78.2%	80.9%	81.0%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	6.0%	Up from 0.0%	3.7%	3.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	88.9%	Up from 86.7%	87.5%	85.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$38,177	Up 5.8%	\$38,357	\$38,125

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median High School
SCHOOL				
• Dropout rate	3.1%	Up from 2.5%	2.6%	2.9%
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	55.5%	N/A	57.0%	56.4%
• Principal's years at the school	1.0	N/A	3.0	3.0
• Percent of parents attending conferences	88.3%	N/A	60.0%	60.1%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Excellent	Excellent
STUDENTS				
• Older than usual for grade	8.0%	Down from 8.6%	6.4%	10.1%
• Suspended or expelled	11	N/A	26	29
• Gifted and talented	15.1%	Down from 19.3%	10.0%	7.4%
• With disabilities other than speech	7.2%	Up from 5.7%	8.8%	10.7%
• Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	11.3%	N/A	2.1%	4.5%
• Enrollment in career and technology center courses	685	N/A	572	350
• Career students participating in work-based experiences	6.7%	N/A	33.8%	23.1%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

North Augusta High School is a four-year public high school located in the northwestern corner of Aiken County. North Augusta High School is accredited with the Southern Association of Secondary Schools and the North American International Baccalaureate program. The school has a history of high academic standards coupled with strong community involvement. Over 90% of our graduates participate in post-secondary work. Moreover, members of the graduating class of 2001 were awarded scholarship offers in excess of 3 million dollars.

North Augusta High School has a student enrollment of approximately 1475 students. The student population is 67% White, 29% African-American, 3% Hispanic, and 1% Asian-Pacific. Approximately 25% of the student body qualifies for free and reduced lunch. 56% of the parents of our students have a high school diploma or more.

The college preparatory program at North Augusta High School offers a wide variety of course offerings. College prep, Honors, Pre-International Baccalaureate, and Advanced Placement courses are available. Students are encouraged to participate in advanced coursework.

The Tech Prep program also offers an array of course offerings. Many of our students participate in courses at the Aiken County Career and Technology Center. Students who complete the Tech Prep program are equipped for entry into technical colleges, four-year colleges and the workforce.

North Augusta High School is equipped with internet-accessible computers in every classroom. Extended computer lab settings in the media center and other classrooms are available for student/teacher use. This technology assists with guided practices, individualized computer-assisted learning and remediation. Video Telecommunication Broadcasting (VTEL) has allowed for sending and receiving additional courses such as Latin, American History, and Speech.

Basic Skills Assessment test results reveal that approximately 90% of 10th graders pass the Exit Exam. 99% of our students successfully pass the Exit Exam by graduation.

The mission of North Augusta High School is to prepare today's students for tomorrow's world. By focusing on a standards-based curriculum, encouraging professional development of our teachers and involving parents, North Augusta High School is committed to providing the best possible education for our young people.

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	N/A	N/A	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	N/A	N/A	
Satisfied with home-school relations	N/A	N/A	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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2000 Knobcone Avenue
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Grades 9-12 High School

Enrollment: 1,455 Students

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001

School Grade:
Good



South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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